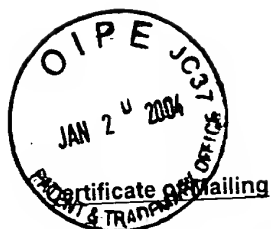


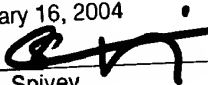
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, submitted herewith are copies of twelve (12) references cited in four Japanese Oppositions issued in a corresponding Japanese Patent Application. For the Examiner's convenience, we have enclosed a completed Form PTO-1449 and English abstracts where needed. Please note that applicant includes a copy of PCT reference No. WO 00/25423 (although this reference was previously cited by Examiner in Office Action on May 22, 2003) along with an English Abstract attached thereto because WO 00/25423 is related to the Japanese reference No. JP 2002-528987 submitted herewith. The statement is not a representation that all of the information cited is necessarily effective as prior art against the application.

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